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In Re the Application of:                      DakoCytomation Denmark A/S

Inventors:                                      Kristopher Buchanan, Marc Key, John Favuzzi,  
   Rosanne Welcher, Benno Guggenheimer, Robert  
   Clark, Michael Barber, and Bob Lathrop

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   Temperature Control

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DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

This Declaration is made by Kristopher Buchanan, Marc Key, John Favuzzi, Rosanne Welcher, Benno Guggenheimer, Robert Clark, Michael Barber, and Bob Lathrop.

I, Kristopher Buchanan, hereby declare:

- I am a citizen of the United States of America and that my residence and mailing address is 4300 Shadowbrook Court, Fort Collins, CO 80526 USA.

I, Marc Key, hereby declare:

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I, John Favuzzi, hereby declare:

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I, Rosanne Welcher, hereby declare:

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I, Benno Guggenheimer, hereby declare:

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I, Robert Clark, hereby declare:

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I, Michael Barber, hereby declare:

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I, Bob Lathrop, hereby declare:

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We, Kristopher Buchanan, Marc Key, John Favuzzi, Rosanne Welcher, Benno Guggenheimer, Robert Clark, Michael Barber, and Bob Lathrop, each hereby declare we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed, described and for which a patent is sought on the invention now entitled "Systems and Methods of Sample Processing and Temperature Control," the specification of which has been provided to us at or prior to the time of signing this declaration. We have reviewed and understand the contents of this specification as above entitled, including any claims.

We also believe that we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the subject matter:

- United States Application Number 60/435,601 filed 20 December 2002 (the "Original US Application").

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §119 of US Provisional Application 60/435,601 filed 20 December 2002; there are no foreign applications having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

We hereby declare that the specification and disclosure herein submitted are intended to include disclosure or claims directed to, individually or in combination: embodiments of the invention which may encompass a device, apparatus, method, process, or business method; embodiments of the invention which may encompass permutations or combinations of any aspects of the invention; any aspect of the invention conceived or developed as separate inventions; and any aspect of the invention independent of any initial context considered as preferred embodiments. We also authorize and support this application for patent protection

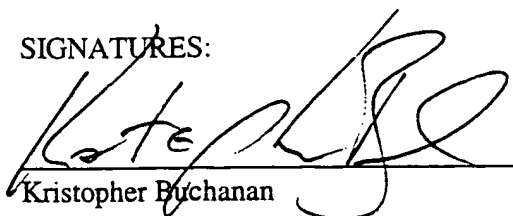
in the United States, and for similar protection in foreign countries, each to be sought to the extent or breadth any owner desires or deems appropriate. We acknowledge that each of the attorneys and the firm filing this application is/are attorneys for the assignee, DakoCytomation Denmark A/S, only.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

We hereby grant the firm of Santangelo Law Offices, P.C., the power to insert on this Declaration or any other document any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to indicate filing information or to comply with the rules of the United States Patent Office or any foreign patent office for recordation of this document, including, but not limited to, inserting the application number, the execution date, mailing information, or the filing date of the above-identified United States Patent Application based upon the Invention.

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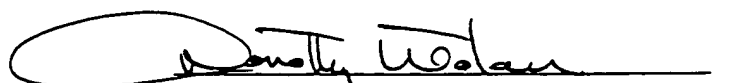
  
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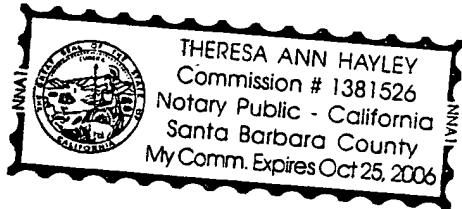
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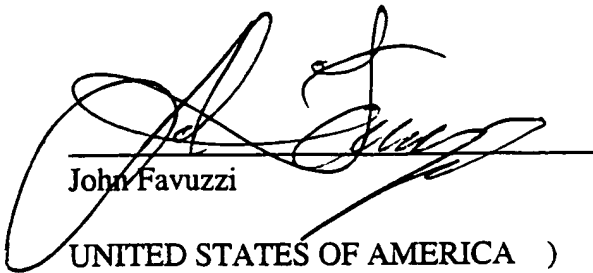
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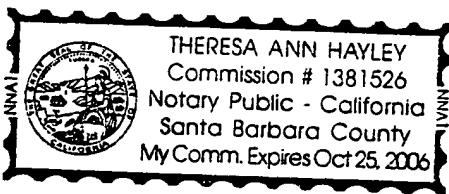
  
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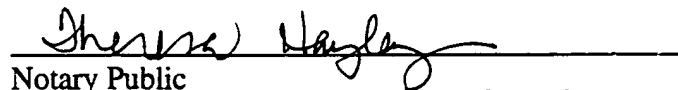
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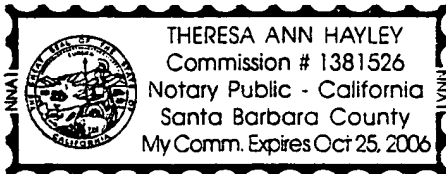
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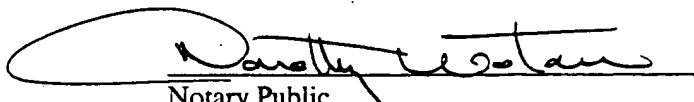
  
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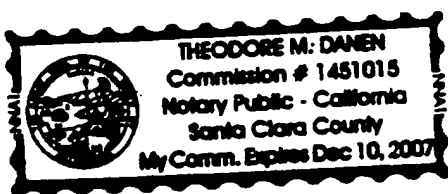
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POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, Anna Larsen, IPR Counsellor, DakoCytomation Denmark A/S, hereby appoint the practitioners associated with Customer Number 33549 (Santangelo Law Offices, P.C., 125 South Howes, Third Floor, Fort Collins, CO 80521), as DakoCytomation Denmark A/S's attorneys to prosecute this application entitled "Systems and Methods of Sample Processing and Temperature Control" and to transact all business in the Patent Office connected therewith. The undersigned grants the firm of Santangelo Law Offices, P.C., the power to insert on any document filed in this matter any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to indicate filing information or to comply with the rules of the United States Patent Office or any foreign patent office for recordation of this document, including, but not limited to, inserting the application number, the execution date, mailing information, or the filing date of the above-identified United States Patent Application based upon the Invention. The undersigned also acknowledges that the attorneys appointed are attorneys for the assignee, DakoCytomation Denmark A/S, only.

Dated this 16 day of June, 2005.

By:



Anna Larsen, IPR Counsellor

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